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WEEKEND NEWS REVIEW

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THE MAJOR WEEKEND STORIES:

LEADING SUN NETS WAS "STORY OF TERROR"--- NEW ORLEANS SNIPERS WHO SET FIRE TO HIGH RISE MOTEL AND PROCEEDED TO KILL 10 UNTIL 1 WAS MACHINE-GUNNED TO DEATH BY A MARINE CHOPPER TO END A 10-HOUR BATTLE. SEVERAL POLICE DEAD, INCLUDING NO.2. MAN IN DEPT. POLICE FEAR A MILITANT CONSPIRACY TO SHOOT POLICE.

PLEDGING TO "DO MY BEST" IN "ONE LAST MAJOR EFFORT," HAK ARRIVES IN PARIS FOLLOWING LE DUC THO'S "UNCHARACTERISTICALLY TOUGH" ARRIVAL STATEMENT SAT. THE "STONE FACED THO'S "GRIM AND SEVERE" REMARKS LED NETS SAT. AND SOME OF SUNDAY'S MAJOR PAPERS. "SIGN OR FIGHT" WAS POST LEAD ON HIS "GRIM AND UNBENDING," "RIGID," "UNCOMPROMISING" BLAST AS US FOR BOMBINGS AND SIGNING DELAYS. NVN PAPER ALSO W/ SHARP BLAST AT RN....RN-HAK MEETING AT CD SAT. WIDELY REPORTED US CALLED "GUARDEDLY HOPEFUL", "CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC," AND NEITHER OPTIMISTIC NOR PESSIMISTIC --THE LAST ATTITUDE SEEN AS SET BY RN IN A SHARP CONTRAST TO THE OCTOBER OPTIMISM ARRIVAL....IN PROMINENT REPORTS ON RN'S FRIDAY MEETING W/MCS IN SAT PAPERS, PHOTO COVERAGE WAS HEAVY W/RN'S "CAUTIOUS," "WAIT AND SEE" ATTITUDE DOMINANT IN STORIES. SUN FOUND OPTIONS OPEN FOR MORE BOMBINGS; INSISTENCE ON "PROPER KIND OF AGREEMENT" SEEN REFLECTING "TOUGH LINE" BY SOME, SAID TIME

TIATING EFFORTS.....US DENIED ANY BOMBINGS ABOVE 20TH PARALLEL
ALTHO INTENSIVE RAIDS WERE CARRIED OUT BELOW IT..... 7 GI'S
WOUNDED IN RARE DAYLITE ATTACK ON DA NANG..... IN SOUTH, THE UPSURGE
IN NVA/VC ATTACKS AREN'T SEEN BY US AS VERY SIGNIFICANT. NVA BIG
GUNS ARE BEING MOVED CLOSER TO SAIGON..... POST LED SAT SAYING
WAR'S COST IS UP ANOTHER \$1-2B AND DOD ISN'T SURE HOW BEST TO GET
FUNDS, \$500M OF WHICH STEM FROM DEC. RAIDS..... FEW THINK THERE'S
ANY REAL CHANCE THAT HILL CAN PASS EFFECTIVE CUT-OFF MEASURES.....
WIDEPLAY SAT. TO LAIRD-ORDERED--REPORTEDLY AT WH INSISTENCE--
GAG ON BOMBINGS RESULTS.

SUN AND TIMES LED SAT W/RN'S REORGANIZATION MOVES. "3 SUPERMEN
TO RUN STREAMLINER", "RN TAKES INITIATIVE IN STREAMLINING" ARE
SEVERAL OF HEADS ON STORY WHICH FREQUENTLY TOOK NOTE OF RN'S IMPATIENCE
IN WAITING FOR RELUCTANT HILL TO ACT. MOVE SEEN AS GOING LONG WAY
TOWARD ACHIEVING RN'S THUS-FAR IGNORED LEGISLATIVE GOALS. NOT MUCH
PROTEST HEARD FROM HILL SO FAR.... NY POST W/P. 1 PHOTO OF ISRAELI
PRES W/RN FOLLOWING THE HST RITESP.1. POST TOLD OF RN VOW
FOR MORE CONSULTATION W/HILL.

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TALKS

AS "PEACE?" SHOWED ON SCREEN BEHIND HIM, NBC'S UTLEY NOTED HAK
ARRIVAL AND SAID NEITHER SIDE GAVE TOOMUCH ENCOURAGEMENT....NBC
FILM OF HAK LEAVING ANDREWS W/DEPARTURE W/OUT FANFARE, HAK EXPRESSION
GAVE NO HINT OF WHAT HE EXPECTED IN PARIS. USAF OFFICER QUOTED HAK
AS TELLING NEWSMEN, "I'LL DO MY BEST." REPORTER SAID HAK AND THO HAVE
BEEN EXCHANGING STEADY STREAM OF CABLED MESSAGES....NBC FILM OF HAK
IN PARIS TELLING NEWSMEN HE WOULDN'T KEEP THEM AS LONG AS THO DID.
HE STATED (ALSO ON CBS) THAT RN SENT HIM "TO MAKE ONE MORE MAJOR
EFFORT TO CONCLUDE NEGOTIATIONS," AND HE EXPECTS TALKS WILL BE SERIOUS
AND "WORTHY OF THE YEARNINGS ALL OVER THE WORLD FOR AN EARLY END TO THE
WAR." NBC'S DOBYNS CALLED HAK MORE OPTIMISTIC THAN THO. HAK
TALKED OF CONCLUDING THE AGREEMENT, WHILE THO SPOKE OF SIGNING THE OCT.
AGREEMENT OR CONTINUING THE WAR....KALISCHER NOTED HAK'S CALLING HIS
RETURN "FOR ONE LAST MAJOR EFFORT" AND THO'S REMARK THAT "DECISIVE
MOMENT HAS COME" AND CONCLUDED THAT IN THE TWO STATEMENTS THERE IS
A KIND OF AGREEMENT.....BOTH NETS NOTED THIS WAS HAK'S 23RD TRIP TO
PARIS.

AP SAYS THIS "COULD BE A TACTIC ROUND" AND GIBSON SAYS "THE
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HOPES OF MILLIONS AROUND THE WORLD RIDE WITH HAK." HE NOTES ADMIN. SOURCES PORTRAY RN AS "DETERMINED TO STIFFEN" THE DRAFT TO WHERE IT'LL SERVE AS BASIS FOR LONG TERM PEACE AND NOT JUST TEMPORARY TRUCE LIKELY TO BREAK DOWN AFTER US PULLOUT."

NBC/CBS SAT NOTED RN AND HAK FINAL SESSION. UTLEY REMARKED "AS USUAL," THERE WERE NO DETAILS GIVEN, BUT RN-HAK HAVE MADE SPECIFIC EFFORT NOT TO RAISE HOPES NOT PREDICT HOW LONG TALKS WILL LAST OR GIVE PROMISES OF WHAT WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED.

MUDD SAT. REMARKED THERE WERE STRONG INDICATIONS THE TALKS WILL NOT GET OFF TO A FAST START.....UPI'S DANILOFF SATS NEITHER SIDE IS HOLDING OUT MUCH PUBLIC PROMISE FOR AN EARLY NEW BREAKTHRU. TWO GENERAL PROBLEMS CONTINUE TO MAKE COMPROMISE "EXTREMELY DIFFICULT": US WANTS SOME REFERENCE THAT 2 VNS EXIST AND US AND NVN REMAIN WIDE APART ON THE MACHINERY TO POLICE THE ACCORD. HE SATS NEITHER SIDE HAS GIVEN ANY SUBSTANTIAL HINTS SO FAR OF WILLINGNESS TO FURTHER CHANGE THEIR POSITIONS.

KALB REPORTED SAT. HAK HAS TOLD FOREIGN VISITORS HE IS SKEPTICAL OF A QUICK BREAKTHRU AND PUT ODDS AT LESS THAN 50-50. THO IS SAID TO HAVE A BASIC DECISION ON WAR OR PEACE, AND HAK CLAIMS NOT TO KNOW WHAT IT IS, KALB STATED, ADDING IF DECISION IS FOR PEACE, SETTLEMENT SHOULD COME SOON. IF NVN HAS DECIDED TO STALL FOR BETTER TERMS -- PERHAPS HOPING THE HILL WILL VOTE TO CUT OFF FUNDS -- RN FACES SOME CRITICAL CHALLENGES. KALB REPORTED ONE OF RN'S MILITARY OPTIONS IS TO UNLEASH ARVN AGAINST NVN W/US AIR SUPPORT, BUT IT'S NOT KNOWN WHETHER THIS IS VALID OPTION OR "WAS LEAKED TO NEWSMEN FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL PURPOSES." KALB SAID HAK IS EXPRESSING "CAUTION ON THE DOWNSIDE," AND THE ASSUMPTION IS HE RAISED TOO MANY HOPES IN THE FALL AND HAS TO BE MORE CAREFUL IN THE WINTER...FORD SAYS HAK WON'T BE BACK BY NEXT

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2 "MOST AWAITED MEN." NOTING HE WAS MET BY NEWSMEN, COMMUNISTS AND "EMOTIONAL GROUP OF FRENCH VIETS," KALISCHER REPORTED HE CALLED US ATTACKS "THE MOST BARBAROUS, INHUMAN IN THE HISTORY OF WAR." IF US ASKS FOR UNREASONABLE DEMANDS, NVN WILL NOT CEDE TO PRESSURE BUT STEP UP ITS OWN EFFORTS, THO WAS REPORTED TO HAVE SAID. KALISCHER ADDED THO SAID US HALT OF ITS WAR ESCALATION WAS VICTORY FOR NVN AND THEREFORE ALLOWED TALKS TO START.....NBC'S UTLEY NOTED THO WAS "OUTSPOKEN" AND USED "TOUGH" LANGUAGE, LEADING INTO DOBYNS WHO NOTED THO WAS SMILING AND FRIENDLY TOWARD GREETERS, BUT THE SMILE DISAPPEARED WHEN HE BEGAN TO TALK. IF STATEMENT WAS ANY INDICATION, DOBYNS ADDED, THE TALKS WILL BE UNPLEASANT. IT WAS LONGER THAN USUAL AND CONDEMNED US FOR DEMANDING CHANGES, FOR BOMBING AND REFUSING TO SIGN. THO SAID BOMBING WAS TO FORCE NVN TO KNEEL AND GIVE IN, BUT "NEVER" WOULD THAT HAPPEN. DOBYNS REMARKED STATEMENT INCLUDED SENTENCE THAT WAR WOULD CONTINUE IF US PURSUED ITS VIOLENCE, BUT THAT WAS CROSSED THRU AND THO SAID THE WAR WOULD CONTINUE IF US CONTINUES TO DEMAND UNREASONABLE CHANGES IN DRAFT. THO ADDED RAPID PEACE OR CONTINUED WAR WAS WASH.'S CHOICE, DOBYNS SAID, NOTING THAT NOWHERE DID STATEMENT SAY NVN WAS WILLING TO NEGOTIATE ANY CHANGES. THE POINT THAT ANGERS NVN MOST IS CALL FOR 2 VNS, DOBYNS SAID, ADDING THO REFERRED TO "VIET PEOPLE -- ALL OF THEM" -- AND IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE DOING SO. IF THIS STRONGER THAN USUAL STATEMENT REFLECTS NVN'S NEGOTIATING ATTITUDE, TALKS WILL BE DIFFICULT, REPORTED BELIEVES, AND THE POSSIBILITIES FOR QUICK SETTLEMENT ARE "SLIGHT, IF NONEXISTENT."... NVN PAPER DENOUNCED RN AS "MORE DANGEROUS AND CRUEL " THAN HITLER.

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SUN'S SULLIVAN NOTES SOME SPECULATED THAT THO'S UNWILLINGNESS TO MENTION ISSUES KNOWN TO BE HOLDING UP TREATY MIGHT BE A "HOPEFUL SIGN," INDICATING A DESIRE NOT TO LOCK HIMSELF INTO LANGUAGE THAT WOULD BE QUOTED BACK TO HIM IN CASE OF ANY COMPROMISE.....AND PRIOR TO THO'S ARRIVAL, MONITOR'S SAIKOWSKI REPORTED NVN HAD ADOPTED A "RELATIVELY MODERATE AND FLEXIBLE PUBLIC STANCE." HANOI WATCHERS SAY THERE HAS BEEN LESS AND LESS COMMENT ABOUT THE ISSUES IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, SUGGESTING HANOI IS LEAVING ITS OPTIONS OPEN.

STAR'S BOROWIEC CALLS MOOD IN PARIS "SOMBER". "OPTIMISTS ARE SCARCE. NOTING PERMITTED BELIEF" OF SUCCESS. US BOMBING "HAS NOT DENTED TOUGH STAND OF NVN LEADERSHIP. IF THO'S WORDS ARE TO BE TAKEN AT FACE VALUE, US IS FACED W/CHOICE OF ACCEPTING NVN DEMANDS OR CONTINUING WAR OF ATTRITION" W/NEITHER PROSPECT APPEALING.

SVN WANTS 25,000 TO ENFORCE CEASE-FIRE. THAT'S 5 TIMES WHAT US ENVISIONS AND 100 TIMES THE NVN DESIRE. SVN ALSO SAID NVN HAS PRIVATELY DROPPED DEMAND THAT THE NATIONAL COUNCIL BE DEFINED AS A 'GOV'T' RATHER THAN 'ADMINISTRATIVE' STRUCTURE."

POPE PAUL SAID PEACE ONCE "SEEMED SO CLOSE AND PROVED TO BE SO ILLUSORY," BUT THE NEW NEGOTIATIONS KEPT THE HOPE OF PEACE ALIVE.

THE US PEOPLE 'AT THE RIGHT TIME' TO EXPLAIN PRESENT US VN POLICY."
KLEIN SAID IT WOULDN'T BE PROPER RIGHT NOW, THO, BECAUSE "WE'RE
IN A VERY SENSITIVE STAGE OF NEGOTIATIONS.".....AP LEAD QUITE
DIFFERENT FROM THE MEET THE PRESS SHOW. "2 OF RN'S TOP AIDES,
(HGH-JDE) SAID IT'D BE INAPPROPRIATE FOR RN
TO EXPLAIN HIS BOMBING WHILE SECRET
NEGOTIATIONS REMAIN IN THEIR PRESENT SENSITIVE STATE."... KLEIN
ADDED THAT ONE OF REASONS FOR LACK OF NEW CONFERENCES IN PAST 6
MONTHS WAS "INTENSE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN WH AND OTHER COUNTRIES."
(HE ALSO SAID THERE WAS NO ADMIN. PLAN TO HARASS MEDIA AND
THAT THERE'LL BE MORE CONFERENCES IN '73. SHOW WAS DOMINATED BY
QUESTIONS ON VN.)

TRIB EDIT SAYS RN SUPPORTERS ARE DROPPING AWAY, SYMPATHETIC
COLUMNISTS ARE BESET BY DOUBTS, HABITUAL CRITICS ARE MAKING WILDER
CHARGES, AND THE LANDSLIDE APPEARS TO BE "WILTING UNDER
JANUARY'S FREEZE." THE CLIMATE IS ONE OF "MUTUAL SUSPICION" AND
THE SITUATION "CRIES FOR CANDOR" ON RN'S PART AND FOR EXPLANATIONS.
NOT THAT THERE AREN'T ANY EXPLANATIONS ON THE RAIDS. RN HAS
ACHIEVED "REMARKABLE (FOREIGN) SUCCESSES," SAYS TRIB WHICH MAINTAINS
RN HAS EVERY REASON TO WANT TO BRIDGE THE BIGGEST GAP OF ALL --
THE COMMUNICATIONS GAP AT HOME. INSTEAD THE PROCESS OF W/DRAWAL
PERSISTS. THERE HASN'T BEEN A PRESS CONFERENCE SINCE OCT. WHEN
ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE MADE, THEY'RE INADEQUATE OR INEPT. THE WH IS
UNDERSTANDABLY IRKED BY THE ATTITUDE OF THE MORE VINDICTIVE LIBS
WHO THINK RN IS WRONG WHATEVER HE DOES, BUT TRIB FEELS WH REACTION
SMACKS OF VINDICTIVENESS AND IS ALIENATING OTHER NEWSMEN. UNLESS
RN IS MORE COMMUNICATIVE AND CANDID, THE MERITS OF HIS POSITION
WILL MEAN LITTLE. AND THE SUSPICION WHICH NOW EXISTS IS LIKELY
TO VANISH BY ITSELF. NO MATTER HOW SUCCESSFUL THE TALKS ARE.

DIFFERENCE WILL MEASURE THE WEIGHT OF THE BOMBS. BUT IF TERMS ARE NO BETTER, THE BOMBS WILL HAVE HAD "NO WEIGHT WHATEVER IN DIPLOMACY AND WE WILL KNOW THE BLOOD AND DESTRUCTION WERE CAUSED FOR -- NOTHING."... STATING NVN INSISTS ON LANGUAGE THAT WOULD GIVE IT A LEGAL BASIS TO CONTINUE AGGRESSION AND WANTS A CEASEFIRE FORCE SO WEAK IT WOULD BE POWERLESS, NY NEWS SAYS A GIVE-IN ON EITHER POINT WOULD PRODUCE A "SHAM, NOT THE JUST, LASTING AND HONORABLE PEACE" RN WANTS. IT URGES US PUBLIC TO DISPLAY "CALMNESS AND PATIENCE" SO GOAL CAN BE REACHED AND TO BEAR IN MIND NO ONE EARNESTLY DESIRES PEACE MORE THAN RN.

NY NEWS' GREENE SUGGESTS NVN CAN FORGET ANY IDEAS THEY MAY HAVE OF APPLYING A JAN. 20 SQUEEZE ON RN OR OF HOPING FOR A FORCED SETTLEMENT BECAUSE OF HILL ACTION. "WE CAN REPORT ON HIGHEST AUTHORITY THAT RN FEELS NO PRESSURE OF OBLIGATION TO REACH A SETTLEMENT...BY ANY DATE". AND RN IS CONVINCED IN ANY REAL HILL SHOWDOWN HE CAN WIN SUPPORT FOR HIS PLANS. GREENE FEELS NVN DOESN'T SEEM TO LEARN: THEIR GAMBIT FAILED WHEN THEY "SPRANG A BRAZEN PRESSURE TRAP" BY ANNOUNCING SETTLEMENT SHOULD BE SIGNED OCT. 31, AND THEN THEY PRESSURED AGAIN FOR DEAL BEFORE XMAS, EMPLOYING EMOTIONS OF POSSIBLE HOLIDAY RETURN OF POWS "FULLY BUT SUBTLY." GREENE REPORTS RN HAS AN ACE HE CAN PLAY IF THE TALKS BECOME DEADLOCKED, ONE ADVISERS ARE CONVINCED WOULD RALLY US SUPPORT: MAKE PUBLIC THE TRANSCRIPT OF NEGOTIATIONS TO DATE AND LET THEM SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. "OF COURSE SUCH ACTION PROBABLY WOULD TORPEDO NEGOTIATIONS FOR A LONG TIME AHEAD," HE WRITES, AND THE WH INTENDS TO KEEP FAITH W/THE SECRECY PACT W/NVN, "BUT IF THERE IS A HORRENDOUS UPHEAVAL, RN WILL PEEL OFF THE COVERS." GREENE FEELS THERE IS A LOT OF "UNADULTERATED NONSENSE" IN FUND CUT-OFF TALKS, AS THERE WOULD BE "NONE OF THE QUICK-AND-EASY PACK-UP AND PULL-OUT STUFF MANY ENVISION."

STAR SAVING IT'S "NO EXAGGERATION TO SAY THE FATE OF GENERATIONS OF
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GENERATIONS YET UNBORN HANGS IN THE BALANCE" OF THE TALKS.

RAIDS WERE "TRAGIC MISTAKE." AND SHOULD TALKS FAIL STAR "WOULD
OPPOSE RESUMPTION" OF BOMBING ABOVE 20TH PARALLEL. STAR CAUTIONS
AGAINST NVN MISREADING HILL RESOLUTIONS AND DERIDES FULBRIGHT'S
"TRULY INCREDIBLE" STATEMENT ABOUT NOT WISHING TO "PREJUDICE"
NEGOTIATIONS WHEN, IN FACT, THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT HE AND DEMS ARE
DOING. IF TALKS DO FAIL, STAR URGES ACHIEVEMENT ON AN END "NOW
AND FOREVER, OF US ATTACKS ON NORTH, AND W/DRAWAL OF REMAINING US
FORCES IN RETURN FOR RETURN OF POW'S. THIS SETTLEMENT "WOULD
DISHONOR NEITHER" SIDE BUT WOULD SAY, SIMPLY, THAT US ROLE WAS OVER.

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HILL REACTION

AP'S LEUBSDORF SAYS HILL HAS PLUNGED INTO RENEWAL DEBATE ON WAR "AS IF THERE HAD BEEN NO ELECTION OR HISTORY'S MOST PUBLICIZED SECRET PEACE TALKS."....."TREMENDOUS LEGAL AND PROCEDURAL OBSTACLES" MAY MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE HILL TO LEGISLATE THE WAR'S END, SAYS RICH IN THE POST. BUT THE PRESSURE CONTINUES AS MC'S HOPE TO CONVINCE RN THE PUBLIC WANTS OUT NOW.

NBC'S UTLEY SAID SOME MCS INDICATED THEY WERE "TIRED OF PLAYING SANCHO PANZA TO RN," NOTING DEMS "SIGNALLED UNREST" W/CUT-OFF VOTE. HOUSE GOPS THO, VOTED TO BACK RN'S STRATEGY.MUDD SAID "AS EXPECTED," GOP CAUCUS VOTED TO SUPPORT RN'S EFFORTS. VOTE WAS 135-7 OR 8, HE ADDED, NOTING SOME MADE IT "CLEAR" THEY WEREN'T ENDORSING BOMBING.

NBC'S ROSENFELD SAID THE GOP VOTE WAS MASSIVE BECAUSE IT WAS ON SPECIFIC ISSUE TO SUPPORT RN'S NEGOTIATION EFFORTS. GOP DIDN'T SAY WHAT THEY'D DO IF TALKS FAILED, THO, HE ADDED, NOTING MCCLOSKEY'S PROPOSAL TO END THE BOMBING NEVER GOT TO A VOTE. FORD ON FILM SAID DEMS VOTING AGAINST THEIR CUT-OFF RESOLUTION AND GOP MEMBERS FORM A COALITION SUPPORTING RN. JOHN ANDERSON FOLLOWED SAYING VOTE DOES NOT AFFIRM BOMBING. HE'S ALREADY OPPOSED TO IT, AS ARE OTHERS, AND RESOLUTION SHOULD SPEAK FOR ITSELF--IT SUPPORTS A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT. MCCLOSKEY ADDED IF BOMBING CONTINUES, HOUSE MAY TRY TO FORESTALL IT. A GREAT NUMBER IN GOP CONDEMN AND DEPLORE IT, HE SAID. REPORTER SAID IT'S UNCERTAIN WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ANY CUT-OFF VOTE. SENATE MAY OKAY IT BUT DESPITE INTENSIFICATION OF ANTI-WAR SENTIMENT, IT WOULD FACE A STIFF FIGHT IN HOUSE.

THE 8 WERE MOSHER, GUDE, HECKLER, WIDNALL, BIESTER, MCKINNEY, FRENZEL, AND MCCLOSKEY.WH SAID THE 75 DEM VOTES AGAINST CUT-OFF PLUS 135 IN GOP IS JUST 8 SHORT OF MAJORITY AND 50 GOP MC'S WERE ABSENT. THUS, WH CLAIMED "IT'S CLEAR MC SUPPORTING RN ARE WELL IN EXCESS OF NUMBER NEEDED."

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RESOLUTION. BUT HE SAID 43 COULD SIGNAL SWITCH OF ENOUGH IN GOP TO SWING CUT-OFF. AND HE SAID THEY "CLEARLY CONFIRM" THE HILL WILL QUICKLY FORESTALL ANY RESUMPTION OF BOMBING. HOWEVER, OTHER GOP MCS THOUGHT SOME VOTED W/MCCLOSKEY JUST TO GIVE HIS RESOLUTION A HEARING WHILE NOT AGREEING WITH IT.

SUN-TIMES' ROSS REPORTS SOME MCS AT WH FRIDAY GOT IMPRESSION RN IS READY TO SOFTEN TERMS TO REACH A SETTLEMENT, AND A KEY SENATE AIDE SAYS RN REALIZES BOMBING IS NO LONGER A REALISTIC OPTION IN VIEW OF INCREASINGLY DOVISH SENTIMENT. SIGNIFICANTLY, THE MCS SAID, RN DIDN'T MENTION PRINCIPAL ISSUE: SVN'S DEMAND THERE 2 VN'S. BY THE SAME TOKEN, ROSS ADDS, RN REPORTEDLY SKIRTED THE ISSUE OF NVA IN SVN, MAKING IT CLEAR THAT HE WON'T SUPPORT GVN'S DEMAND THEY BE W/DRAWN. RN THUS APPEARED TO MOVE US BACK TOWARD OCT. DRAFT, SAYS ROSS. STAR'S SHERMAN SAYS RN TOLD LEADERS AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE STICKING TO "WELL-KNOWN GENERALITIES," BUT THEY HAD BEEN FOREWARNED. YET, IF LEADERS HAD WANTED TO ASK FOR CLARIFICATION, THERE WAS NO CHANCE. SHERMAN ADDS RN'S VIEW ON SELF-DETERMINATION FOR SVN," ON THE FACE OF IT, FALLS FAR SHORT OF THIEU'S DEMAND."

NY POST EDIT SAYS THE ABRUPTLY TERMINATED VN DISCUSSION AT THE BREAKFAST SHARPLY DRAMATIZES RN'S "IMPERIOUS ROLE." RN HAS PROCLAIMED "MORE ARROGANTLY THAN EVER BEFORE" THAT THE EXEC. BRANCH WILL DECIDE WHETHER TO EXPAND THE WAR, AN RN COULDN'T HAVE MORE RECKLESSLY CHALLENGED HILL'S POWER AND RESPONSIBILITY. FRI'S "AUTHORITARIAN PERFORMANCE CAN ONLY INCITE NEW RESENTMENT AND REBELLIONS," SAYS THE NY POST.

NAUGHTON FINDS HILL COMING TO TOWN "W/FURY OF A JAN. STORM." "DISILLUSIONMENT, DISMAY" AND "OUTRAGE" ARE TERMS HE USES TO DESCRIBE FEELINGS ON VN.... ARTHUR SCHLESINGER W/TIMES MAG. PIECE URGING HILL TO FIX LIMITS ON THE WH'S FOREIGN POLICY POWERS AS, HE ASSERTS, THE PRES. HAS BECOME IN THAT AREA, "THE MOST ABSOLUTE MONARCH AMONG THE GREAT POWERS, W/ THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF MAO."

VERY CRITICAL OF RN.

HERBERG REFLECTS ON RN'S "ISOLATION" SINCE ELECTION AND CONCLUDE
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THAT FORTHCOMING BUDGET CUTBACKS AREN'T "EXPECTED TO EASE THE
SPECIAL LONELINESS AND SELF-IMPOSED ISOLATION OF RN AT THIS JUNCTURE."
....THE POST EDITORIAL FINDS RN'S "RETREAT INTO ISOLATION RESEMBLING
THAT UNDERTAKEN BY STALIN WHEN HITLER INVADED RUSSIA."

PRAVDA CALLS US SPLIT AS NEVER BEFORE ON VN, A "RIFT THAT DIVIDES
ALL SECTIONS OF US INCLUDING TOP ECHELON AND HIGHEST INSTITUTES OF
POWER. THE PRESENT EVENTS ON HILL REFLECT THIS SPLIT," SAYS PRAVDA.

GOULD BELIEVES DEM MCS HAVE TOLD HANOI AND THE WORLD THEY WILL DO
"HANOI'S DIRTY WORK IF HANOI WILL JUST HANG ON AND NOT ENTER ANY
MEANINGFUL NEGOTIATIONS." NOTING THIS "HAMSTRINGS" US REPS, HE ASKS
"WHAT COULD BE NICER---OR MORE AMUSING---FOR HANOI?"

CROSBY NOYES SAYS RN "CAN HARDLY BE ACCUSED OF INVENTING IDEAS
OF AN INDEPENDANT EXECUTIVE." AND HE COMPARES RN'S NON-CONSULTATION
ON RAIDS FAVORABLY W/ NORMANDY, HIROSHIMA, KOREA, AND BAY OF PIGS
ACTIONS. "IT'S HARD TO ASK PEOPLE TO LIVE W/THE FRUSTRATIONS AND
IGNORANCE," ^{BUT UNTIL THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE CONCLUDED,} 775 7,58) 5#3 ,3&958-589, -43 :9, :1)7\$3\$, "THE PRES.
HAS THE RIGHT AND DUTY TO KEEP THE COUNTRY GUESSING," SAYS NOYES. ...
...BUCKLEY, TOO, SUPPORTS RN'S RIGHT TO KEEP HIS OWN COUNSEL.
WFB ATTACKS HILL FOR "RESENTING EXECUTIVE USURPATION" WHILE DOING
LITTLE ABOUT IT OR OFTEN "STRENGTHENING THE HAND OF THE EXECUTIVE."
HE DEFENDS RN'S ALOOFNESS AS LESS DANGEROUS THAN PLAYING WITH THE
PRESS "AS KITTENISHLY AS FDR OR JFK." "BETTER THAT THE PRESS
SHOULD BE PRESUMPTIVELY SKEPTICAL ... THAN THAT IT SHOULD TREAT
THE PRES. UNCTOUSLY IN REACTION TO HCS CHARM OT OPENHANDEDNESS,"
SAYS BUCKLEY.

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OTHER DOMESTIC REACTION

A MONITOR SURVEY FINDS A STRONG MAJORITY STILL LARGELY BACKS
RN'S HANDLING OF THE WAR AND, SHORT OF MORE UNEXPLAINED BOMBING,
HE' ^{LL BE G1} 33 23 & 8VEN WEEKS OR MONTHS TO NEGOTIATE A SETTLEMENT W/OUT
INCURRING THE KIND OF DISPLEASURE THAT'D THREATEN CAPACITY TO
GOVERN. THERE IS EVIDENCE, SAYS SPERLING, THAT IF RN FELT HIS
SUPPORT WOULDN'T BE SERIOUSLY ERODED BY BOMBING, HE WAS RIGHT. BUT
THERE HAS BEEN A CONSIDERABLE -- ALTHO NOT YET SERIOUS NOR UNRECOVER-
ABLE -- LOSS OF WH CREDIBILITY IN THE EYES ON THE PUBLIC AND NEW
IMPETUS TO ANTIWAR MOVEMENT BECAUSE HOPES WERE DASHED AFTER BEING
BUILT UP, SPERLING REPORTS. RIGHT NOW RN ISN'T "IN DEEP POLITICAL
TROUBLE," BUT "GATHERING STORM CLOUDS" INDICATE RN MUST WALK W/
EXTREME CARE, HE ADDS. SPERLING ALSO NOTES SOME IN OHIO GOP,
WHO DIDN'T APPRECIATE SAXBE'S COMMENTS, ARE TALKING OF FINDING A
STRONG OPPONENT TO CHALLENGE SAXBE IN '74. IN CONTRAST TO
MONITOR, THE TIMES, FOUND A CONSIDERABLE INCREASE IN ANTI-WAR
SENTIMENT IN CEDAR RAPIDS, W/ PROFESSIONALS AND RN-BACKERS JOINING
IN THE BEWILDERMENT AND THE PROTEST OVER THE BOMBINGS.

PARTICIPANTS--" UNYOUNG, UNPOOR, AND UNBLACK." REPORTER KILPATRICK NOTED PURPOSE WAS TO PRESSURE MC'S ON WAR. MAIN SPEAKER WAS ELLSBERG WHO PREACHED HIS LESSON OF THE WAR: IN '64 VOTERS VOTED FOR LBJ AND PEACE AND IN '68 FOR RN AND PEACE; THE FORMER DROPPED 3 MILLION TONS OF BOMBS ON NVN, THE LATTER 4 MILLION, "TWICE AS MUCH AS WWII.".....NBC NOTED A FORMER JFK SECURITY GUARD AND MUCH DECORATED GREEN BERET VN HAS BECOME A CO AND WILL LEAVE ARMY NEXT-WEEK. SGT. POUNDER SAID THE "LAST STRAW" WAS THE UNSUCCESSFUL '70 SON TAY RAID WHICH HE HELPED PLAN. HE RETURNED HIS 24 MEDALS TO DOD. NBC NOTED HE SAID TO REMAIN IN ARMY WOULD BE HYPOCRITICAL.

NOTING RN. AFTER 12 DAYS OF BOMBING, COULD HAVE NO ASSURANCE OF HOW THE RFX CROWD WOULD REACT TO HIS PRESENCE AT SKINS GAME, LISAGOR SAYS THE MOST HE COULD VENTURE WAS AN INVITATION TO ALLEN. RN'S ABSENCE FROM GAME IS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW THINGS HAVE TURNED SOUR FOR A MAN WHOHAD "EVERY REASON TOBELIEVE HIS 2ND INAUGURAL WOULD BE A FESTIVE, ROYOUS" OCCASION. THE "SHEAR, UNBRIDLED WEIGHT" OF THE COSTLY BOMBING HAS CAST A PALL OVER THE INAUGURAL AND 2ND TERM, SAYS LISAGOR WHO GOES TO SAY THAT SKEPTICISM IS SO DEEP MANY WOULD REGARD ALMOST ANY AGREEMENT AS A "SUSPICIOUS PLOY, A TRICK, A CALCULATING MANEUVER." HE ALSO CLAIMS "FEW HARD-HEADED DIPLOMATS BELIEVE NVN IS RETURNING TO PARIS W/ITS HANDS OVER ITS HEAD."

2 VERY HARSH MCGRORY WEEKEND PIECES ON HAK AND LAIRD. MCGRORY OPINES EITHER HAK WAS SOLD OUT BY RN BUT SHOULD HAVE RESIGNED OR EXCEEDED HIS INSTRUCTIONS AND SHOULD HAVE BEEN FIRED. WHICHEVER SHE PUTS RN AND HAK, "2 OF A KIND" ON SAME PEDASTAL, AND SAYS THAT BAC HAI, NOT PRC TRIP, IS MONUMENTS TO THEIR FOREIGN POLICY. SHE CONDEMNS HAK'S NON-DEMURRAL ON "MASS MURDER" AS CALAMITOUS EVIDENCE OF HIS FAILURE AS NSC ADVISER -- LEMAY MIGHT AS WELL HAVE HAD JOB.

AGAIN, NOT PUBLICLY DEFENDING THE BOMBING AND POINTING IT OUT W/A
"SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS ANOTHER MAN MIGHT BLUSH TO SUMMON". MCGROBY
NOTES FUZZY RELUCTANCE ON CAMBODIA AND MINING AS TWO PREVIOUS
INSTANCES OF LAIRD'S ATTEMPTING TO ACT AS ADMIN'S CONSCIENCE BUT
SAYS HE HAS "BOMBED OUT" AS A SECRET DOVE: HE LEAVES DOD W/US
PARTICIPATION AT "NEW HIGH AND A NEW LOW IN THE SORDID HISTORY OF
THE WAR."

FRITCHEY CHARGES THAT "GRAHAM HAS VIRTUALLY SANCTIFIED THE
WAR POLICY OF BOTH RN AND LBJ." AND THE COLUMNIST EVEN SAYS
GRAHAM HAS MADE CHRIST OUT TO BE "THE INVENTOR OF THE SCORCHED-
EARTH POLICY.".... .943 54-, 200 ASIA EXPERTS URGED HILL TO MOVE
IMMEDIATELY TO CUT OFF FUNDING, SAYING THE BOMBING "SEEMS TO ALL
THE WORLD LIKE A SAVAGE AND IRRESPONSIBLE USE OF US POWER....WE
ARE STIGMATIZED AS BEING ON A PAR WITH THE BEASTS OF THE PAST, THE
NAZI IN PARTICULAR." FAIRBANKS AND JAMES THOMPSON AMONG SIGNERS.

"THOSE WHO LOUDLY DENOUNCE RN FOR WRECKING DESTRUCTION IN NVN
MIGHT DO WELL TO PAUSE AND CONSIDER THE CONSEQUENCES OF A FALSE
AND ILLUSORY PEACE", SAYS PHILIP CLARKE OF THE NAT'L STRATEGY INFO
CENTER IN AN OP-ED PIECE IN TIMES. BESIDES HURTING US CREDIBILITY
ABROAD, MIGHT AMERICANS NOT LOSE FAITH IN THEMSELVES? ... IF THE
BOMBING FINALLY SUCCEEDS IN CONVINCING NVN OF THE FUTILITY OF
WAGING WAR, IT'LL END THE KILLING SOONER THAN LATER AND ACTUALLY
SAVE MORE LIVES AND TREASURE THAN IT COSTS." SAYS CLARKE WHO URGES
SUPPORT FOR RN. ...HE IS COUNTERED ON THE SAME PAGE BY ANTHONY
LEWIS, LIVINGSTON OF THE ANTIWARLABOR GROUP AND RETIRED ANTI-WAR
ADMIRAL LA ROCQUE. LEWIS FOCUSES ON THE "REVULSION FELT BY
AMERICA'S EUROPEAN FRIENDS FOR THE BOMBING- HE QUOTES ALISTAIR
BUCHAN FOR ONE. AND THE ARTICLE HARSHLY RAPS THE US POLICIES IN
VN WHILE VIRTUALLY DEFENDING NVN. TRULY ONE OF TONY'S CLASSICS.

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SECTION 5

OTHER REACTION

MILITARILY, THE BOMBINGS SEEM TO HAVE BEEN A SUCCESS, SAYS KEN CRAWFORD IN POST WHERE HE FEELS THERE WAS LITTLE CHOICE TO THE RAIDS -- OUTSIDE OF ACCEPTING NVN'S CONDITIONS. BUT "IN PROPAGANDA AND PR TERMS, THE BOMBING WAS A WINDFALL FOR HANOI".... THE SELECTIVE CREDULITY OF THE PEACE MOVERS IS REMARKABLE. SO IS THEIR CAPACITY FOR BATHOS....COMPASSION SEEMS TO BE RESERVED FOR THE ENEMY. CRAWFORD CONCLUDES BY NOTING THE SHARP CRITICISM OF RN -- AND LITTLE EMPHASIZED FACT THAT ONE MANIFESTATION OF HST'S WIDELY-HERALDED COURAGE WAS HIS DROPPING OF A-BOMB.

AFTER NOTING THERE'VE BEEN RELATIVELY FEW ANTIWAR DEMONSTRATIONS IN W. EUROPE, NBC W/FILM REPORT OF ANTI-US PROTEST MARCH IN UTRECHT IN WHICH WAS "ORDERLY, BUT NOISY." REPORTER NOTED RN ALSO CAME IN FOR SOME DIRECT ABUSE.

AUSTRALIAN MINISTER FOR URBAN AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT SAID RN IS WAGING "A DIPLOMACY OF TERROR" AND SAID POLICY REPRESENTS "MENTALITY OF THUGGERY."...NBC NOTED SC AND GA LONGSHOREMEN WERE ORDERED BY UNIONS NOT TO UNLOAD AUSSIE SHIPS....THE POWERFUL AUSSIE CHAIN OF PAPERS OWNED BY MUJD CH WHO STRONGLY BACKED LABORITE WHITLAM FOR ELECTION HAS SHARPLY CRITICIZED THE PM FOR FAILING TO SEEK AN END TO THE BOYCOTT.

TO SEND ENVOY. A DANISH REPORT SAID THE AMB. IS REGARDED BY US AS "SPOKESMAN FOR PALME" AND NOT ALL OF SWEDENT.... PELL SAID "IF USG INSISTS ON ENGAGING IN ACTIVITIES THAT GO AGAINST THE GRAIN OF WORLD OPINION, IT CAN'T IMPROVE STANDING AMONG NATIONS OF THE WORLD BY PETULANTLY REFUSING TO RECEIVE ENVOYS."

CBS NOTED CANADA'S HOUSE DEPLORED US RAIDS. DEIFENBAKER OPPOSED ON GROUNDS OF SETTING PRECEDENT OF PARLIAMENT "CRITICIZING OUR GREAT NEIGHBOR TO THE SOUTH." BUT HE WAS NOT IN HOUSE FOR VOTE.... GLOBE'S JHABVALA REPORTS US IS PRIVATELY UNHAPPY W/CANADA'S ACTION BECAUSE, THEY SAID, IT SEEMS TO BE BASED ON 1-SIDED VIEW OF WAR AND IGNORES CAUSE OF BOMBING. ON THE OTHER HAND, HE ADDS, THE ACTION MAY HELP DIMINISH DOMESTIC OPPOSITION TO CANADA'S PARTICIPATION IN THE CEASE-FIRE FORCE.

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LERNER FEELS THE BOMBING ENDED BECAUSE BOTH SIDES HAD "HAD IT": NVN GOT MORE PUNISHMENT THAN IT COUNTED ON; RN GOT MORE FLAK AND RECOIL. WHEN IT ENDED, PEOPLE FELT ABLE TO BREATHE AGAIN AND THERE WAS A REBIRTH OF HOPE. BUT THERE IS ALSO PERVASIVE SENSE THAT SOMETHING HAPPENED, BOTH TO RN'S AND US' IMAGE, AND THINGS WILL NEVER BE THE SAME AGAIN. IF HANOI WAS CALCULATING RN WAS "COLD-BLOODED," LERNER SAYS, ADDING HE DOESN'T BELIEVE RN ORDERED THE BOMBING IN A FIT OF PIQUE, THO, FOR TOO MUCH WAS AT STAKE AND RN IS TOO SELF-DISCIPLINED. BUT RN AND US PAID A HIGH PRICE FOR WHATEVER WAS ACHIEVED. RN MAY HAVE WANTED TO SHOW HIS RESOLUTENESS, BUT "THE COLD-BLOODED WAY HE CARRIED IT OUT WAS GHASTLY," LERNER WRITES. AND NOW MILLIONS WILL LINK US TO A "HEARTLESS BOMBING" TO ACHIEVE AN END THAT WAS "DUBIOUS AT BEST," HE SAYS, ADDING A NATION'S ROLE IN HISTORY IS LARGELY SHAPED NOT ONLY "BY ITS POWER BUT BY THE POWER OF ITS IMAGE." STATING RN SET A PRECEDENT IN THE "NAKED USE OF POWER," LERNER FEELS IT WOULD BE WELL FOR RN TO GIVE THE US AN ACCOUNTING OF WHAT HAPPENED, AND SAYS UNLESS HE DOES, THE INAUGURATION WILL HAVE A CLOUD OVER IT. A LEADER MUST CONVINCE THE WORLD, NOT BY WORDS BUT ACTION, THAT A COUNTRY IS A "GIANT, NOT A BULLY." BUT WHAT CAME THRU IN BOMBING WAS NOT US' "DETERMINED STATURE BUT THE INTOLERABLE BULLYING," SAYS MAX.

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BOMBING WOULDN'T SERIOUSLY DAMAGE RELATIONS W/ PRC AND USSR. BUT STAKES HAVE BEEN RAISED AGAIN, THIS TIME BY SOME OF CLOSEST US ALLIES, AND THE "WAVE OF REVULSION" HAS BECOME A POLITICAL IRRITANT IN WESTERN ALLIANCE. NO FUNDAMENTAL US SECURITY INTEREST IS IN DANGER, BUT SIGNS ARE MOUNTING THAT VN IS STARTING TO "POISON" DOMESTIC POLITICS OF SOME IN ALLIANCE. KEAT QUESTIONS IF RN COULD RESUME THE ATTACKS IN THE FACE OF LIKELY AND BITTER ALLIED CRITICISM IF TALKS BREAK OFF AGAIN....C. L. SULZBERGER COMPARES THE HARM DONE TO US IMAGE BY BOMBINGS TO THE TARNISHMENT THE KREMLIN SUFFERED FROM ITS CZECH. AND HUNGARIAN ACTIONS. HISTORY, HOWEVER WON'T SEE SUCH A SIMILARITY, SULZBERGER IS CONFIDENT, GIVEN THE US GOALS VS THOSE OF THE SOVIETS. NONETHELESS, THE LIMITS OF US ACTIONS IN VN HAVE BEEN REACHED AND THE US MUST GET OUT SOON, HE CONCLUDES.

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UPI LEAD NOTED BY CBS: "IN 9 MONTHS OF BOMBING US PLANES DROPPED 40 POUNDS OF EXPLOSIVES FOR EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD" IN NVN....NBC'S UTLEY SAID STRENGTH AT BARGAINING TABLE IS REFLECTION OF POWER ON THE BATTLEFIELD AND BOTH SIDES ATTEMPTED TO IMPROVE THAT. HE NOTED US AIR RAIDS OVER AND ENEMY GROUND ATTACKS.

PRC SAID NVN IS STEPPING UP COMBAT READINESS FOR ANY NEW US "WAR ADVENTURE."...NVN HAS ORDERED CITIZENS TO CONTINUE PLANNED EVACUATION AND TO STRENGTHEN DEFENSES....HANOI BOASTS IT'S STILL GETTING HUGH ARMS SUPPLIES DESPITE THE BLOCKADE AND RAIDS....AGENCE-FRANCE PRESS REPORTS THE US "VIRTUALLY RAZED HAIPHONG'S INDUSTRIAL ZONE." ANOTHER TIME'S FEATURE IS BY TELFORD TAYLOR AND HEADED: "HANOI UNDER THE BOMBING: SIRENS, SHELTERS, RUBBLE AND DEATH."

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CBS W/FILM FROM HIWAY 3 IN CAMBODIA WHERE SCENE IS
"REMINISCENT OF LAST APRIL WHEN QT COLLAPSED," SAID REPORTED FOSTER
DAVIS. HE NOTED CAMBODIANS ARE FLEEING HOMES 30 MILES SOUTH OF
PHNOM PENH -- EVEN ARMY OFFICERS HAVE FLED UNDER ENEMY SHELLING.
REPORTER SAID IT WAS "IRONIC" THIS WAS HAPPENING WHILE THE
"WORLD TALKS OF PEACE" BUT HIWAY 3 IS LESS SECURE NOW THAN A YEAR
AGO. THERE ARE SIMILAR BUT LESS DRAMATIC SIGNS OF INSECURITY
IN VN, DAVIS SAID, NOTING ARVN "METHODICALLY CLEARS" HIWAY 1.
IN CAMBODIA THE ENEMY IS PUSHING HARD, HE ADDED, WHILE THEY
ARE DOING LITTLE IN VN. BUT "SOMEONE W/LONG EXPERIENCE" TOLD THE
CBS REPORTED THE COMMUNISTS HAVE A REASON FOR WHAT THEY'RE DOING,
EVEN IF THEY'RE DOING NOTHING.

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SECTION 6 OF 6

US-USSR

THERE ARE REPORTS OF SUCCESSFUL USSR TEST OF NEW, IMPROVED ICBM "AS BIG AS SS9" AND INCORPORATING ADVANCES OVER THAT WEAPON.

80 SOVIET JEWS HAVE ASKED FOR LENIENCY TOWARD 36 PERSONS JAILED IN THE ALLEGED PLOT TO HIJACK THEIR WAY TO ISRAEL.... SUN REPORTS THAT DESPITE THE US-USSR THAW, USSR STILL PREVENTS MORE THAN 500 PERSONS W/VALID CLAIMS TO US CITIZENSHIP OR W/US RELATIVES TO EMIGRATE. A US OFFICIAL SAYS THERE HASN'T BEEN "PERCEPTIBLE" IMPROVEMENT OR INCREASE IN USSR'S COOPERATION IN EFFORTS TO REUNITE FAMILIES. THERE ARE 15-20 PERSONS -- SOME US CITIZENS WHO ARE BEING REQUIRED TO PAY THE EDUCATION TAX BEFORE THEY LEAVE.

RN WINS HIGH MARKS IN TIMES ECONOMIC REVIEW FOR OPENING WAY TO TRADE W/COMMUNISTS AND FOR HIS "SUBSTANTIAL ROLE IN BRINGING ABOUT THE STUNNING VIGOR OF THE US ECONOMY." BREZHNEV GETS THE "BUSINESSMAN OF THE YEAR" AWARD FOR PULLING OFF THE GRAIN DEAL.

TEAGUE IS UNCONVINCED OF NEED FOR US-USSR JOINT SPACE FLIGHT AND HIS COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW PROJECT CAREFULLY BEFORE APPROPRIATING FUNDS. "IT'S STRICTLY A POLITICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFORT AND MAYBE IT'S GREAT, BUT WE ARE SURE GOING TO HOLD SOME CAREFUL HEARINGS ON IT."

PRC SAID USSR "HAS RESORTED TO EVERY BASE AND DESPICABLE TRICK TO DAMAGE PRC'S PRESTIGE."

NBC FILM OF IRELAND PM LYNCH IN NYC WHERE ON ISSUES AND ANSWERS HE STATED BRITISH TROOPS SHOULD REMAIN IN N. IRELAND. REPORTER SAID LYNCH LEFT IRELAND BUT NOT IS PROBLEMS AS GROUP OF PRO-IRA DEMONSTRATORS CHANTED OUTSIDE TV STUDIOS AND THEN PELTED LYNCH'S CAR W/EGGS....LYNCH DISAGREED SPECIFICALLY W/ENK WHO HAS FREQUENTLY CALLED FOR W/DRAWAL OF BRITISH FORCES.

CBS NOTED HEATH IS INVESTIGATING SOARING BEEF PRICES.... CBS ALSO W/REPORT FROM ITALY WHERE PRICES ARE RISING TWICE AS FAST AS IN US AND COUNTRY IS EXPERIENCING MOST "SHOCKING" INFLATION SINCE WWII. REPORTER SAID IN SHORT RUN, IT WAS GOOD NEWS FOR US BECAUSE US GOODS COULD BE COMPETITIVE, BUT THERE ARE FEARS US MAY CATCH THE "DISEASE."

NBC NOTED FOR THE 3RD TIME IN A WEEK, ISRAELI AND SYRIAN SOLDIERS EXCHANGED FIRE ACROSS GOLAN HEIGHTS.....NBC FILM AS PALESTINIAN NATL. COUNCIL BEGAN MEETING IN CAIRO IN MIDST OF "FROSTY ATMOSPHERE." COOLNESS RESULTS FROM COUNCIL'S REJECTION OF IT FORM A GOVT. IN EXILE.

CASUALTY TALLY FRO MANAGUAN QUAKE IS 10-12,000 -- 3 TIMES HIGHER THAN ESTIMATED....US CONSUL IN NICARAGUA MARGROVE DIED OF "APPARENTLY ACCIDENTAL" BULLET WOUND.

NBC NOTED MARCOS HAS POSTPONED NEXT WEEK'S PLEBISCITE ON A NEW CONSTITUTION AND SUSPENDED MEDIA DEBATE OVER THE CHARTER. HE SAID NATION IS SLIPPING INTO OLD BAD HABITS HE SOUGHT TO ERASE IN PROCLAIMING SEPT. MARTIAL LAW. POLICE SAID THEY CRUSHED A MAOIST PLOT TO ASSASSINATE MARCOS AND TOP LEADERS....MARCOS ALSO ELEVATED RUMOR-MONGERING TO A STATE OFFENSE COMPARABLE TO SPREADING SUBVERSIVE PROPAGANDA.

'73. HE REPORTED NO REAL PROGRESS IN TALKS W/ NK AND "NOT SO BRIGHT" PROSPECTS WHILE EXPRESSING HOPE US WOULD STAY IN TILL N. MODERNIZATION PROGRAM FOR ROKS IS COMPLETED IN '76....PM
KIM AND RN UNDERSTANDS THE REASONS AND INTENTIONS OF REFORMS UNDERTAKEN BY PARK. UPI REPORTS NEWSMEN RECALLED USG HAD BEEN STRONGLY CRITICAL OF PARK'S MARTIAL LAW, BUT KIM SAID HE BELIEVES US-ROK RELATIONS CAN'T "BE IMPAIRED BY ANY SINGLE SUCH DEVELOPMENT."...VORST BELIEVES IT'S IMPOSSIBLE NOT TO BE IMPRESSED BY ROK'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. UNDER PARK, THE GOVT HAS USED ITS RESOURCES WISELY AND DISTRIBUTED THE RETURNS IN REASONABLY HONEST, EQUITABLE FASHION, AND THERE IS NO INDICATION OF WIDESPREAD UNREST. IN THE UNDERDEVELOPED WORLD, THAT SAYS A GREAT DEAL AND VORST ADDS THAT HE SUSPECTS IT'S TOO MUCH AND TOO AMERICAN TO ASK PARK TO BE A CHAMPION OF WESTERN DEMOCRACY, TOO.

BHUTTO IS WORRIED ABOUT US-PAK CHILL AND ANXIOUS ABOUT MEANING OF MOYNIHAN APPOINTMENT AND WHETHER US WILL SHOW "BENIGN NEGLECT" TO PAK. BHUTTO HAS ALSO COMPLAINED ABOUT 6-MONTH DELAY IN APPOINTING ENVOY TO PAK AND ABOUT INADEQUACY OF US AID. SAYS BHUTTO, "IF US GAVE US HALF (WHAT IT'S) GIVING BANGLADESH, WE'D BE ALL RIGHT." BUT BHUTTO'S "GREATEST SHOW OF IMPATIENCE" IS W/LACK OF US ARMS SHIPMENTS.

STATE HAS REPORTEDLY SIGNED DISARMAMENT AGREEMENT WITH NIGERIA BECAUSE OF GOV'T SEARCHES OF ALL PACKAGES. ENTIRE DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY IN LAGOS IS CONCERNED OVER "GROSS BREACH" OF DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY.

DEFENDING UN, MONITOR'S STROUT SAYS 80 PER CENT OF UN BUDGET GOES TO VITAL ACTIVITIES BESIDES PEACE-KEEPING: FEEDING HUNGRY, HELPING CHILDREN, ASSISTING REFUGEES, ETC. US PAYS \$370 PER CAPITA A YEAR FOR MILITARY, WHILE THE COST OF THE UN IS ONLY \$1.57 A HEAD. UN'S DOWNGRADING, STROUT SAYS, IS PART OF THE "CURRENT DISILLUSIONMENT WE SUFFER OVER MANY UNFULFILLED BUT POTENTIALLY VITAL INSTITUTIONS."

NEGATIVE NBC REPORT ON CULBRA, OFF PUERTO RICO, WHICH USN USES FOR GUNNERY PRACTICE. RESIDENTS AREN'T WORRIED ABOUT SAFETY BUT SAY DOD WENT BACK ON ITS WORD THAT USN WOULDN'T USE CULEBRA AFTER '75. JUST COMPLETED STUDY, STARTED IN '71 TO FIND ALTERNATIVE SITE, CONCLUDED THERE IS NO OTHER SITE. NOW DOD SAYS THEY WILL BE THERE TO '85 OR LATER, AND RESIDENTS ARE CONSIDERING PETITIONING CONGRESS.USN WILL ESTABLISH SECRET ELECTRONIC STATION ON COAST OF WALES TO DETECT USSR SUBS IN ATLANTIC ACCORDING TO LONDON DAILY EXPRESS.

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